

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

**MAIL PROCESSING NETWORK RATIONALIZATION
SERVICE CHANGES, 2012**

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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE OF ERRATA
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The version of the Direct Testimony of Frank Neri on Behalf of the United States Postal Service (USPS-T-4) filed on December 5, 2011 contains an error on page 14.¹ The attached document reflects a corrected page 14 of the testimony.

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¹ Direct Testimony of Frank Neri on Behalf of the United States Postal Service, PRC Docket No. N2012-1 (December 5, 2011).

IV. The Process for Change

Area Mail Processing (AMP) feasibility studies are utilized to evaluate consolidation opportunities at mail processing facilities. An AMP feasibility study determines whether there is a business case for relocating processing and distribution operations from one location to another and thereby improve operational efficiency and/or service. The study may involve the consolidation of originating operations (cancelling and sorting locally generated mail at a facility close to where the mail originates), destinating operations (sorting and preparing mail received from more distant areas for local delivery) or both. Increasing operational efficiencies and maintaining good customer service continue to be paramount goals for today's Postal Service. The AMP process provides opportunities for the Postal Service to reduce costs, improve service and operate as a leaner, more efficient organization by centralizing mail processing operations and making better use of resources, space, staffing, processing equipment, and transportation. Also, AMPs reduce redundancies while supporting network alignment. All AMP feasibility studies are performed in conjunction with Handbook PO 408, *Area Mail Processing Guidelines*.⁵

The Postal Service intends to use the AMP process as a vital decision-making tool in support of Mail Processing Network Rationalization Service Changes. This current process provides a time-tested and verified method of calculating savings associated with mail processing facility consolidation and/or closure.

The direct testimony of witness Emily Rosenberg (USPS-T-3) discusses the development of a proposed mail processing network concept designed around the service changes described by witness David Williams (USPS-T-1) and published in the December 15, 2011 Federal Register. The feasibility of that concept and the final determination of consolidation and/or closure of a specific facility will be

⁵ A copy of this document is filed as library reference USPS-LR-N2012-1/3.